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## Agricultural Survey.

The object of the agricultural or soil survey that is now in progress in this county in co-operation with the state Geological survey, is to make a study of the soils and agricultural conditions in general, with a view that the agricultural experiment station may be able to suggest methods by which systems of permanent agriculture may be introduced and maintained.

Samples of the surface and subsoil are taken from the various soil areas or types of the different counties of the state, and are sent to the agricultural experiment station at Lexington, where they are analyzed chemically and physically for the purpose of determining their chemical and physical nature.

A physical analysis is of less importance than a chemical. It tells something of the capacity of a soil to hold moisture which is in many parts of this country a limiting factor in crop production.

While a chemical analysis does not tell the amount of available plant food present in a soil, its importance lies in the fact that it tells the total amount, and also because it reveals the fact whether or not any of the limiting elements of plant food are lacking.

After a chemical analysis of the soils have been made and the results tabulated and published, the publication will be available to any farmer, free of charge who will have his name placed on the mailing list at the agricultural Experiment Station, Lexington Ky.

## The Coming Teachers' Institute.

The Teachers' Institute for Adair County will be held in Columbia beginning Monday July 27, and will continue one week. It will be conducted by Miss Leila Patridge, of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Irene Grinstead, of Cincinnati. Both of these ladies have engaged for several years in educational work and some new and valuable ideas are in store for the teachers. Miss Patridge is the author of the "Quincy" and "Parker's Talks On"

Mrs. Grinstead was partly in Columbia, and is kindly received by a large circle of friends. All must attend unless previously sick.

## Time to Stop.

A. R. Kasey drew an unusually large crowd to the Methodist church last Sunday evening. What he would talk about was well advertised, his sermon being in response to one delivered by Eld. W. K. Azbill the Sunday evening before. His declarations were sharp and cutting and there is a diversity of opinion as to the line of thoughts advanced. One thing certain, a sufficiency cropped out to convince the congregation that the time had arrived for the discussion of the question to cease, for the benefit of church going people in general.

## Peppermint to Drive Ants Away.

A body of ants lately invaded an office at Every, England. Paper soaked with oil of peppermint was spread about when the ants disappeared in half an hour, and, although the odor of the peppermint quite evaporated, in a few days, their memory was good and they never returned.

The above recipe was handed in by a friend of the News, knowing that a great many friends about town were annoyed with these pests.

Mr. John D. Cook, a former citizen of this place, a brother of Mr. Geo. W. Cook, met with a painful and serious accident at Dallas, Texas, last week. Mr. Cook is a contractor, and was assisting in loading material into a car. When the car came up, the mules hitched to the loaded wagon, backed, throwing the iron tipped tongue into the air. When it came down it struck Mr. Cook on the fleshy part of the leg, cutting a severe gash.

There is an effort on foot to secure an experienced teacher as principal of the Male and Female High School, a gentleman who has heretofore taught in Columbia, and whose reputation as a teacher is known in the counties adjacent to Adair. He is a scholar and is possessed with governing power. Should he accept the position, there is no doubt but the old institution would be liberally patronized.

The Adair county teachers who failed at the June examination should take courage. There were only thirteen applicants. We notice that in another county there were forty-one applicants, only four receiving certificates.

In order to make room for our large fall stock, which will soon begin coming in, we are offering reduced prices on all summer goods. Russell & Co.

## My Stay In Columbia.

I have been asked to write on the above subject. It affords me great pleasure to do so. I came here eight months ago, and found, as I had expected, a beautiful, healthy and enthusiastic inland city. From day to day the people have grown on me, till now at last, I can write of my stay as a pleasant memory.

I came here a stranger to all, but soon found that for which every loving heart pants—fellowship. At no time during my stay, can I call to mind, a single incident which is unpleasant to remember. The people of Columbia in general have captured me with their kindness, hospitality and ease of living, and as I go from you I feel qualified to impart that with which you have impressed me. I take occasion here to say, I have sought to appreciate your every kindness. I remember with a thankful heart your every smile, and would be ungrateful indeed if I were to forget to say, I simply love you, that is all.

My attitude toward sin has been an uncompromising one. I have courted no sympathy and asked no special favors, all of which might make me ridiculous in the eyes of some, but in the eyes of others manly, courageous and loyal. I have not sought to win a single "pet," I have not catered to public sentiment, but have tried to stand out in the open for a clean life, an open Bible, a friend to the friendless and salvation to the lost.

Somewhat it is like breaking up home ties to leave you. It was here my wife was born and our brief stay in her old home town quickens the sweetest memory of childhood.

It will be impossible for me to take all of you by the hand and say, Good-bye, but if I were a voice that could be heard throughout Adair county, upon the day of my departure, I would cry: "Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of the same mind, live in peace and the God of peace shall be with you." J. C. Cook.

## S. S. Convention at Cane Valley.

The Sunday School Convention at Cane Valley was largely attended last Saturday, all the schools in the county being represented. The hospitality of Cane Valley and the surrounding country was in evidence. Notwithstanding hundreds of men, women and children were present, there was an abundance of every thing good to eat, and after every body had fully partaken, the fragments would have fed many more. During the session of the Convention a number of excellent Sunday-School talks were made, showing that the work in this cause was rapidly growing. The song service during the session was of special interest.

People of Columbia, do you believe you are doing right by sending your laundry to other towns when it can be done here neat and nice? The Laundry needs all the patronage of this section and if it can get it will soon be on a firm base. This enterprise is one of worth to this community, but can not last without full patronage. If you want it to succeed, if you believe it good for the town, then give it your patronage. Mr. Rasner is an honest, industrious man, a man who has worked hard to acquire a knowledge of the business and is now doing good work. If he failed to please you in the beginning he is now better prepared to meet your demands. Give him a trial on your collars and cuffs.

## Rev. James Dean.

The subject of this notice died at Beatrice Hospital, Nebraska, last Monday morning after undergoing an operation. The deceased was well known in Russell county where he preached for three years in the interest of Christ and the building up of the United Brethren Church. His remains will be brought to New Albany, Ind., for interment. Rev. C. R. Dean, brother of the deceased, left for New Albany yesterday.

## CEMENT, PLASTER AND BRICK.

Hall and Browning are ready to fill your order in cement, patent plaster or cement brick. You can get any color of brick desired. If in need of any of these articles call on them or use the telephone. Columbia, Ky.

Hughes & Coffey recently purchased a thousand acres of land on Butler's Fork of Sulphur. It is well timbered and is known as the "Forest Home Reservation." The price paid for this property is private.

Large concessions in prices on all lines of goods to Cash buyers. 34-2t Russell & Co.

Mr. Holt's second new hack will be here by the 10th of this month.

## A Good Day at Old Pleasant Hill.

Announcements had been made for some time, that there would be an all day meeting at the above named place the fourth Sunday in June, and that Vertis Williams of Still Water, Okla., would preach. Bro. Williams was reared in this community and was formerly a member of this church and the very large audience that greeted him that day shows the high esteem in which he is held by his old neighbors and friends.

His mother and a part of the family still reside in the community. His father, Q. N. Williams, died at the present home in 1900. Bro. Williams has been preaching for the Still Water people for 11 years. It was his first and only charge. He has had quite a number of calls from other churches, but prefers to remain with that people. His two little boys, Paul and Preston, are with their grandmother.

The subject Sunday morning was "Home" Ehp., 5:22-30. He introduced his sermon by relating an incident that occurred between a young preacher and himself in Okla. He said a young preacher just from College and seeking a location, was asking him about work, and asked for his assistance in securing a place. Bro. Williams told him of several country churches that would be glad to have him once a month, though they could not pay him a large salary, they could support him. The young man replied that he did not care to preach for a church that preaching only once a month was required, as he did not think much good could be accomplished in a church of that kind.

Then Bro. Williams said to him; "Young man, let me tell you something. I know a little country church away back in the hills of Kentucky that has been in existence a long time, with preaching only once a month, and a great good has been developed in the world from her existence."

"There is a man in Moberly, Mo., preaching for a large church, who was reared under the influence of that church. Another is preaching in Phoenix, Arz., another at Liberty, Ky., another at Moreland, Ky., another at Columbia, Ky., and one at Still Water, Okla. Don't ever speak thus of the little country churches that have preaching only once a month." He discussed "Home" under four heads. The relation and duty of wife to husband and husband to wife; of parents to children and children to parents. Love must be the dominating principle not only for the place we call home, (whether that be a palace or a hut,) but for each other, and while the husband and father is to be the head of the home, he is not to be a tyrannical ruler, but a leader and gentle governor. He spoke of the importance of beautifying the home by giving it some finishing touches with shade trees, smooth mown yards, flowers, &c.; of the importance of cultivating and developing the love, by continued acts of kindness and sympathy, on the part of both husband and wife, and to express their affection for each other as of old. It was a good, profitable sermon, and if followed out will stop many divorce suits.

There was a bountiful dinner on the ground prepared by the good people of the community, and was much enjoyed by the people, and many baskets partly filled were carried home. The writer could not remain for afternoon service on account of a call to preach a funeral that afternoon.

May Bro. Williams live many years to make pleasant visits to the old country churches, and have the great pleasure of meeting the dear ones in the flesh. But one by one we fall by the way, and the graveyard is fast filling up, and by and by we will all change our meeting places, to the eternal City of God, and O! what a reunion that will be.

Z. T. WILLIAMS.

## 100 Years Old.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mourning, who was born and reared near Campbellsville, celebrated her one hundred birthday yesterday, at the home of her son, Mr. Garland Mourning, Louisville. Mrs. Mourning went from Taylor county to live with her son twenty-two years ago. Her mind is active and she is in perfect health, possessing all her faculties, but is a little deaf. All her living children but one and many grandchildren, great grand children and great, great grand children were with her yesterday.

## For Sale on The Square.

One nice lot 25 feet wide and 34 feet deep. It adjoins the Paull Drug Co., and is one of the best locations in Columbia. See C. S. Harris.

Campbellsville and Cane Valley base ball teams crossed bats at the latter place last Saturday, resulting in 12 to 6 in favor of Cane Valley.

## The Public Health.

The time is here now when every citizen of Columbia, and all over the county for that matter, ought to be looking at the condition of his premises. I have had several warnings put in the papers, about the breeding places of mosquitoes. I have asked the people to have their houses screened in order to prevent flies from spreading diseases. I have called attention to the filthy condition of quite a number of privies. I have called the attention of the city authorities to the condition of several of our streets and alleys; but all these warnings seem to have fallen upon unlistening ears. The season most dangerous to the public health is now commencing. The time for house flies to get in their unsanitary work is now here. I have seen no rain barrels covered, except at my own house. I have seen none of the privies under consideration cleaned.

Many of the people seem to be anxiously inviting an epidemic of sickness. I am anxiously trying to avoid sickness. I am doing my part as best I can. For two years we have had the lowest mortality per thousand inhabitants of any city in the United States. Do you want that record broken? Many of you act as though you did. You who are so neglecting your duties, will be, in case of an epidemic, the first ones to throw stones at the Board of Health. Let us rouse from our lethargy, wake from our sleep, and put the town in order. We can prevent typhoid fever, and largely prevent consumption if we try. We should not spit on our nice pavements. Consumption is spread in that way. Let us all resolve to quit it.

U. L. Taylor, Health Officer. Spectator please copy.

## Changed Houses.

Mr. W. D. King, of this place, who has been representing the Louisville Dry Goods Co., for several years, tendered his resignation a few days ago and accepted a position with Louis Stix & Co., wholesale dry goods and notions, Cincinnati. Mr. King will travel in the territory he has been going over for several years. He will reach Columbia the last of this week with his trunks and will immediately begin business for his new firm. Louis Stix & Co. is one of the best houses in Cincinnati, and we believe Mr. King will make it a valuable representative.

## Machine Shop.

Mr. W. A. Helm, the well-known machinist, who was formerly located at Esto, has removed his entire outfit to Columbia, his place of business being on "Boomer Heights." He is a first-class machinist and is prepared to do all kinds of work. The repairing of engines, cultivators, mowers, in fact everything in the machine line is his character of work. Call and see him. He also carries in stock all kinds of mill supplies and a good line of hardware. Phone 46. (32-3m)

## Campbellsville and Springfield.

About eight hundred people witnessed two base ball games between Campbellsville and Springfield last Saturday, the games being played at the latter place, the former winning both games. Stults, of this place, Caldwell, of Burdick, battery for Campbellsville. Score in first game 11 to 8. Second game 7 to 4. The feature of the games were two home runs made by Stults.

## Open League Service.

Instead of the regular preaching service next Sunday night the Epworth League will hold an open service at the Methodist church.

The pastor will give a report of the recent Conference of Leagues at Henderson, and a special musical programme will be prepared.

Monday was county court, only a light sprinkle of people in town. Farmers are too busy to leave their crops. There were a few horses on the market, but only one or two changed hands. The Master Commissioner sold several tracts of land by order of court.

We are in the market for your eggs and poultry at the highest cash price. Lebanon Egg & Poultry Co. W. H. Shipp, Mgr. Columbia, Ky. 35-3t.

Adair County Teachers' Institute will convene Monday July 27. All the teachers in the county are requested to attend, sickness only being an excuse.

Circuit court opened at Liberty last Monday, Judge H. C. Baker on the bench.

If you want Fair privileges be at the court-house next Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

## "Essential" is The Wrong Word.

Editor of the News:

Permit me to correct what I regard as erroneous in your statement in last week's issue as to what I hold or teach about baptism. I have never in all my ministry said or even thought so absurd a thing as that "baptism is ESSENTIAL to salvation."

ESSENTIAL comes from the Latin ESSE, which means TO BE. When one talks about the ESSENTIALS of a thing, he ought to mean the materials or ESSENCE of which it CONSISTS. The ESSENCE of pardon is the gracious ACT OF GOD. To say that anything else is ESSENTIAL to the forgiveness of sins is to talk nonsense. And by the way, this is one of the reasons why so much controversy has been indulged in on this subject: people are too inaccurate in speech to make themselves understood exactly on an abstruse theme. What I teach is, that if baptism is in any sense a means of grace—if the Master had any gracious aim in appointing it—one must observe it to obtain the gracious gift which He has connected with it and to fulfill His purpose. In this sense it is NECESSARY. In this sense it is INDISPENSABLE. That is, we have no right to dispense with it. Even if it be a fact that God may forgive the neglect of it, that does not make it right for one to neglect it; and to PRESUME TO DO SO, because He is good and forgiving, would be to exhibit a very undutiful spirit. And mind, when I say NECESSARY, I am speaking of a MORAL NECESSITY. I am speaking of that compelling sense of love and loyalty which will not let one find peace of conscience till he has done whatever he is sure his Lord has commanded him to do.

W. K. Azbill.

From the reading of the above it will be seen that Mr. Azbill criticises us for using the word "essential" in making the statement that "he believes that baptism is ESSENTIAL to salvation." He would have had no objection to our article if we had stated that "he believes baptism is NECESSARY to salvation. We do not care to discuss the word. We cheerfully publish Mr. Azbill's article, and refer our reader to the dictionary.

Last Saturday was the glorious Fourth. Hundreds of people were accidentally killed and wounded through out the United States. Adair county escaped without a scratch though three big picnics were indulged in. We understand that very large crowds were at Glenville and Roley. It is also said that the gathering on Caney Fork, Green county, was largely attended.

## Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our gratitude to our many friends and neighbors who so ably and willingly assisted us during the illness of our daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hutchison.

## Sale of Fair Privileges.

The refreshment stands, dining room, stables and all other Fair privileges will be sold at the court-house door next Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Bidders will be prepared to execute bond.

Mr. Burton Yates and Mrs. Ellen Holladay, who live out on the James-town road five miles from town, are having their houses painted which adds greatly to the looks. They are using the Green Seal paint, the best on the market. Mr. J. A. Young and son are doing the work.

By reference to another column the statement of the Farmers Bank, Cane Valley, can be found. This institution is less than two years old, but under safe management its business has gradually increased.

The ladies composing the Cemetery Committee will meet at the court-house next Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All the members are requested to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jeffries entertained Rev. J. C. Cook, wife and children and Rev. A. R. Kasey last Sunday. A magnificent dinner was enjoyed.

The first Fair in this section of the State will be at Russell Springs, commencing the 4th of August.

Fair privileges will be sold at the court-house door next Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Lebanon Egg and Poultry Co. has opened a branch store in Columbia.

Born, to the wife of W. G. Campbell, June 27th, 1908, a son.

Lost.—A gold watch chain. Finder leave at this office.

## Sand Lick Springs.

The healing waters of the Sand Lick Springs, 13 miles South of Columbia, is gradually but certainly claiming the attention of many of the people in this section and some remarkable results have been placed to its credit. Louis Young, son of John Young, is one of the latest to be blessed by its healing properties. For nearly four years he has been compelled to use crutches, due to rheumatism, but only a stay of two or three weeks has enabled him to throw his crutches aside. He feels that he will soon be entirely well.

Mr. James Holladay is also attending the Springs and evidence of returning youth are beginning to show. These facts reaching the ear of Mr. J. T. Page, of this city, have stirred within him a longing to bathe in its pools believing it the fountain that Desota sought. More than one hundred people were at the Spring last Sunday.

## Accidentally Hurt.

Last Saturday afternoon as Mr. Robert Bault and two of his daughters were returning from the Sunday School Convention at Cane Valley, all three in one buggy, an accident occurred, Miss Ollie Bault getting very badly hurt. On top of the hill, this side of the Ed Squires place, the mule that was being driven became frightened and ran, upsetting the buggy. Miss Ollie's head struck the tire of the buggy, knocking her senseless and cutting a severe gash in the back of her head. The young lady was conveyed to her home and Monday morning she was reported as getting along nicely.

There is competition in the stage line between this place and Campbellsville. Mr. Vernon Holt having the mail line and Mr. J. B. Barbee is running independently. Both proprietors have good hacks and good horses, and seemingly they are running without a jar. Travel is light at this season of the year, hence there is not enough money in the line to warrant competition. Mr. Holt is necessarily compelled to run, having a contract with the Government to carry the mail, and Mr. Barbee says he will not quit the pike. All outsiders can do is to watch and say, "Lay on McDuff, etc."

Rev. J. C. Cook delivered one of the ablest sermons in the Baptist church here last Sunday, that he has ever presented to his church. In every point of view it was able and true to the teachings of the denomination. To state that his sermon was highly appreciated is but a mild statement.

Eld. Tobias Huffaker will lecture at Hutchison's school house the fourth Saturday evening in this month. On Sunday forenoon following he will preach at the same place. Everybody cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. Coy E. Dudgeon, who is in the hotel business here, but whose time expires the first of September, will remove to Cane Valley, his former home. He is making preparations to erect a two-story residence and hopes to have it ready for occupancy by the time his hotel lease expires.

Mr. T. J. Cundiff a former deputy United States Marshal, and who made frequent trips to this county, tendered his resignation last week and has accepted a position as detective in the city of Louisville, the appointment coming from the Board of Safety.

Several of the common schools of Adair county opened last Monday. There are close to one hundred white schools in Adair, but many will not begin the term until after the close of the institute which will convene Monday the 27th of this month.

Rev. J. R. Crawford, who has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church will preach in Columbia the third Sunday in this month—Sunday week. He will remove his family from Burkesville to this place about the first of August.

Mr. J. F. Montgomery will commence the erection of a residence on his farm, two miles out of town, the first of August. The dwelling, as we understand, will be occupied by the gentleman who conducts his farm.

The Citizens Bank, this place, publishes a statement in the News this week. This is comparatively a new bank, but the figures show that it is doing a safe and profitable business.

Rev. J. C. Cook will preach his farewell sermon at Zion next Sunday forenoon. He is anxious to meet all the membership and other friends of the neighborhood before taking his departure for Texas.

A large assortment of straw hats at half former price. Russell & Co.